

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Eliza Symonds Bell, undated, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Mrs. Alexander Melville Bell. 1890? Beinn Bhreagh, Victoria County, Cape Breton, N. S. My dear Mrs. Bell:

Alec and I begin to feel that the time is drawing near when we must perfect our arrangements for the Great Event and I write tonight to ask you who you and Mr. Bell would like us to invite to be present. I have invited Mr. and Mrs. David Bell, Carrie and Mr. Ballachey and Mr. Hitz, then there are you and Mr. Bell, Mary and Louise. We could get in another friend or two, so they both occupy the same room, and the hotel is not far away by steamer and we propose hiring reserved rooms there. Alec and I want to do all we possibly can to make the occasion agreeable to you and Mr. Bell and we desire to meet your wishes on all points, so will you please be so kind as to let us know what they are, and especially just now what friends you want so that I can invite them in time. Would you like me to invite Mrs. Lander or Mr. Henderson's daughter and her husband, or who. May we invite our friends about here to a wedding reception, or would you rather keep it to our own family? I think we would rather like to have the reception, but want to do whatever you desire.

Now I am going to say good night and see if Alec won't leave his wiggly woggles long enough to write you himself.

With love to you and Mr. Bell, Mary and Louise.

Affectionately, Mabel.